

# OFFICE of COMMUNITY SERVICES



## 2003 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES CONFERENCE

*FREE one-day conference providing valuable information regarding funding opportunities for 2003*

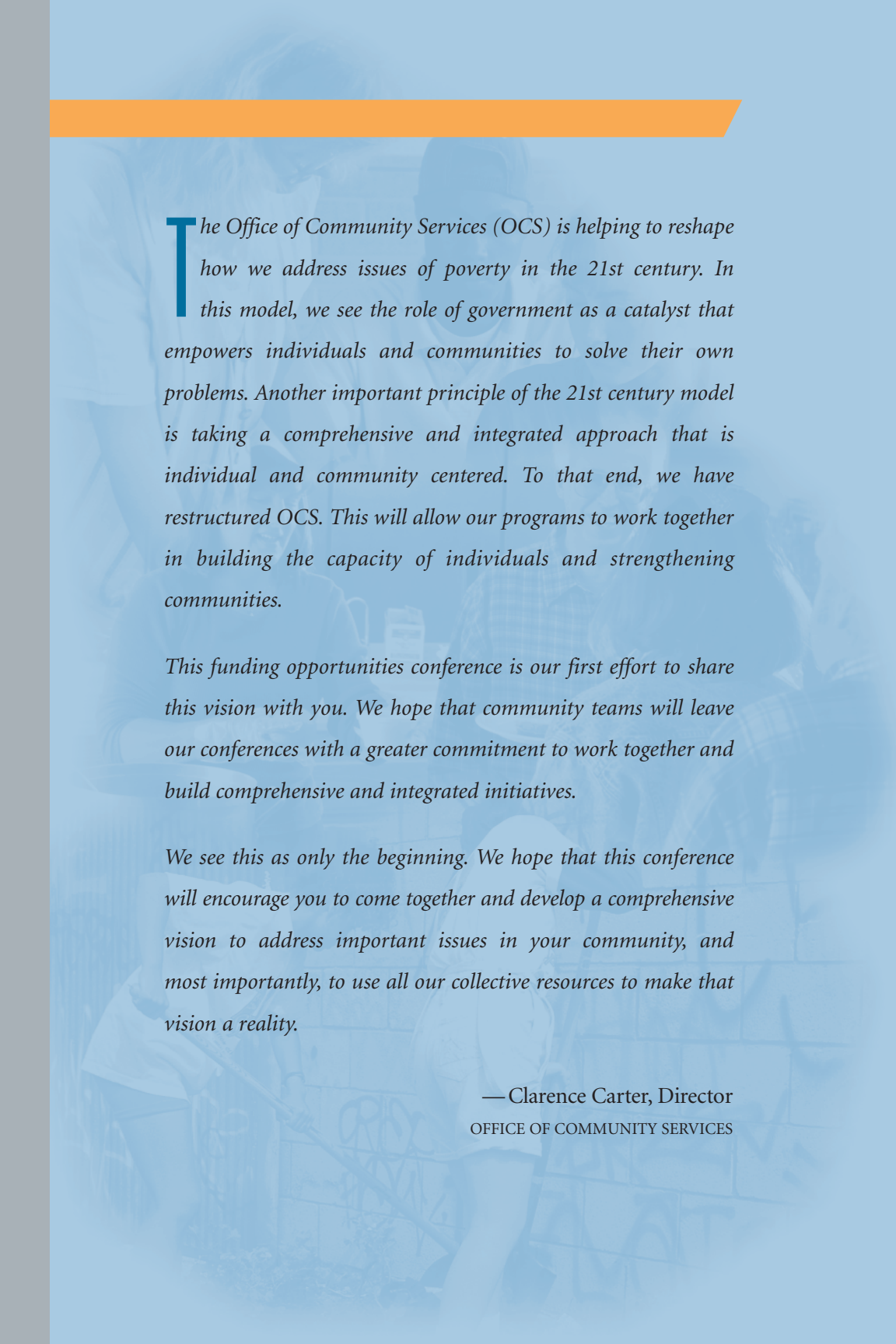
# Connecting THE COMMUNITY

**Baltimore, MD**  
March 17, 2003

**Chicago, IL**  
March 20, 2003

**San Francisco, CA**  
March 26, 2003





**T**he Office of Community Services (OCS) is helping to reshape how we address issues of poverty in the 21st century. In this model, we see the role of government as a catalyst that empowers individuals and communities to solve their own problems. Another important principle of the 21st century model is taking a comprehensive and integrated approach that is individual and community centered. To that end, we have restructured OCS. This will allow our programs to work together in building the capacity of individuals and strengthening communities.

*This funding opportunities conference is our first effort to share this vision with you. We hope that community teams will leave our conferences with a greater commitment to work together and build comprehensive and integrated initiatives.*

*We see this as only the beginning. We hope that this conference will encourage you to come together and develop a comprehensive vision to address important issues in your community, and most importantly, to use all our collective resources to make that vision a reality.*

— Clarence Carter, Director  
OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

## DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- The Office of Community Services (OCS) is a department within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families Division (ACF). ACF annually expends more than \$58 billion on programs and initiatives to strengthen families and communities.
- The Office of Community Services administers 12 programs to build the capacity of low-income Americans and to strengthen communities.
- In 2003, the Office of Community Services will make available more than \$100 million in funding opportunities.

*The Office of Community Services funds are available for organizations that help those in need. Find out how by attending this FREE one-day conference.*

**T**he Office of Community Services (OCS) is taking a new and exciting approach to helping individuals and communities address issues of poverty. An important aspect of this effort is this conference "Connecting the Community." This conference will showcase OCS programs as a comprehensive tool kit to build the capacity of low-income Americans and strengthen communities. This conference will provide participants with important information about each OCS program, the priorities for 2003, and the federal grants process. The deadline for applying for these opportunities is rapidly approaching. Don't miss this opportunity to hear about more than \$100 million in federal funding that will be awarded by September 30, 2003 —funding that can help strengthen your community.

## WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

### **Gain insight into:**

- How OCS programs can help build the capacity of low-income individuals and strengthen communities.
- The importance of a comprehensive community planning process.
- OCS priorities for 2003.
- How the federal grants process works.
- How to write a winning grant application.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Chambers of Commerce
- Civic and Service Organizations
- Community- and Faith-Based Organizations
- Financial Institutions
- Foundations
- Human Services Professionals
- Local Governments
- Community Action Agencies



# A FREE CONFERENCE to help you identify federal Office of Community Services funding opportunities

## A G E N D A

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Coffee & Registration	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.	Program Announcement/ Breakout Sessions
8:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Opening Plenary – “Connecting the Community”	1.	Compassion Capital Fund (CCF)
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	BREAK	2.	Community Service Block Grant - <i>Discretionary Programs (CSBG)</i>
10:15 – 11:00 a.m.	Federal Grants Process	a.	Community and Economic Development (CED)
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Grant Writing Panel	b.	Community Food & Nutrition (CFN)
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH – Keynote Address	c.	Job Opportunities for Low-Income Individuals (JOLI)
		3.	Family Violence Prevention (FVP)
		4.	Individual Development Accounts (IDA)
		3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	BREAK
		3:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Grant Writing Sessions ( <i>interactive</i> )
		5:00 p.m.	Closing

## B R E A K O U T   S E S S I O N S

### GAIN VALUABLE INSIGHT ON FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE FOLLOWING OCS SUPPORTED PROGRAMS:

- 1. Compassion Capital Fund (CCF):** The objective of the Compassion Capital Fund program is to help build capacity and knowledge among faith- and community-based organizations and to encourage the replication of effective approaches and programs that better meet the needs of poor and low-income individuals and families. This will be accomplished through the funding of intermediary organizations that have demonstrated expertise in working with and providing technical assistance to a diverse set of faith- and community-based organizations.
- 2. Community Service Block Grant - *Discretionary Programs (CSBG)*:**
  - a. Community and Economic Development (CED):** The objective of the Community Economic Development program is to encourage the creation of projects intended to create jobs and provide employment and business ownership opportunities for low-income people through business, physical, or commercial development. Generally, the opportunities must focus on improving the quality of the economic and social environment of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipients; low-income residents including displaced workers; at-risk teenagers; custodial and non-custodial parents, particularly those of children receiving TANF assistance; individuals residing in public housing; individuals who are homeless; and individuals with developmental

disabilities. Grant funds under this program area are intended to provide resources to Community Development Corporations.

- b. **Community Food and Nutrition (CFN):** The objective of the Community Food and Nutrition Program is to provide assistance to state-wide public or private agencies at the community, local, and national levels for the purposes of: better coordinating existing private and public food assistance resources; identifying potential sponsors of child nutrition programs; and developing innovative approaches to nutrition needs at the State and local level.



- c. **Job Opportunities for Low-Income Families (JOLI):**

The objective of the Job Opportunities for Low-Income Families program is to conduct projects to create new employment and business opportunities for low-income families through the provision of technical and financial assistance to private employers in the community, self-employment/micro-enterprise programs, and/or new business development programs. This program awards grants to nonprofit organizations and community development corporations that create jobs for needy families that require temporary assistance or individuals whose income does not exceed 100 percent of the official poverty guidelines.

3. **Family Violence Prevention (FVP):** The objective of the Family Violence Prevention program is to assist States in supporting the establishment, maintenance, and expansion of programs and projects that have the goal of preventing incidents of domestic violence. The program is also intended to provide immediate shelter and related assistance for victims of family violence and their dependents. The program supports organizations that provide training and technical assistance to family violence personnel in States, local public agencies (including law enforcement agencies, courts, social service agencies, and health care professionals), and non-profit private organizations.

4. **Individual Development Accounts (IDA):** The Individual Development Accounts (IDA) is a product of the Assets for Independence Act (AFI). IDA's are matched savings programs that allow individuals and families to save for the purpose of purchasing a home, capitalize a business, or attend a post secondary school. Under this program five-year Federal grants are offered to the following eligible applicants: Not-for-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organizations; State, local, or Tribal government agencies applying jointly with a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization; Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) or Low-Income Credit Unions (so designated by the National Credit Union Administration) that has a collaborative relationship with a local, community-based organization whose activities are designed to address poverty in the community; and 501(c)(3) faith-based organizations are eligible to apply for these grants.





## REGISTRATION

Advance registration for this informative event is required. Register online at [www.ocsfundingconference.net](http://www.ocsfundingconference.net), via email at [ocsfundingconference@lcn.net](mailto:ocsfundingconference@lcn.net), by phone at 1-866-472-6848, or simply complete the registration form below and fax it to 1-800-351-4490. Final registration dates are *March 6*, Baltimore; *March 11*, Chicago; and *March 18*, San Francisco. Please reference code DM0002 when registering.

**Act now! Space is limited. Register now to ensure your FREE space.**

## HOTEL REGISTRATION

A block of rooms has been reserved for your convenience at each of the following hotels. When making your reservations, be sure to mention "OCS Funding Opportunities Conference" and register by the date below in order to secure the conference rate. All rates are based upon double occupancy:

### **Baltimore – Hotel registration cutoff date March 6, 2003**

#### **Wyndham Hotel**

101 West Fayette Street

Baltimore, MD 21201

Phone: 410-385-6570

Rate - \$157 + tax

### **Chicago – Hotel registration cutoff date March 11, 2003**

Hyatt McCormick Place

2233 South Martin Luther King Drive

Chicago, IL 60616

Phone: 312-567-1234

Rate - \$155 + tax

### **San Francisco – Hotel registration cutoff date March 18, 2003**

San Francisco Marriott

55 Fourth Street

San Francisco, CA 94103

Phone: 415-896-1600

Rate - \$159 + tax



Please register me for the following conference (*check the location of the conference you will be attending*).

Conference locations:

- ☐ **BALTIMORE**  
March 17, 2003  
Wyndham Hotel  
101 W. Fayette Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201  
410-385-6570
- ☐ **CHICAGO**  
March 20, 2003  
McCormick Place  
2301 S. Lake Shore Drive  
Chicago, IL 60616  
312-791-7000
- ☐ **SAN FRANCISCO**  
March 26, 2003  
San Francisco Marriott  
55 Fourth Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103  
415-896-1600

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Please rank your choices for the following breakout sessions in order of preference (*“1” being most preferred, “6” being least preferred*).

Breakout Sessions

- ☐ Compassion Capital Fund (CCF)
- ☐ Community Service Block Grant (CSBG)
  - Community and Economic Development (CED)
  - Community Food & Nutrition (CFN)
  - Job Opportunities for Low Income Families (JOLI)
- ☐ Family Violence Prevention (FVP)
- ☐ Individual Development Accounts (IDA)

REGISTRATION FORM

(MR., MS, DR.) FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE INITIAL \_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SUFFIX (SR., JR., III) \_\_\_\_\_ DEGREES (PH.D., MSW, M.D.) \_\_\_\_\_

JOB TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION/COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- ☐ PLEASE CHECK IF YOU HAVE SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS OR SPECIAL NEEDS.

EXPLAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

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